



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re the Application of:

Yukihiko NANSHO

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Examiner: THIEN, M. T.

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed December 23, 2004, please consider the following remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.